

Yanks Could Pay Half a Million for Cobb and Then Make Money

OFFER \$500,000 FOR TY COBB

At Least It Would Pay New York Yanks to Put Up This Amount

FOR A DRAWING CARD

Georgia Peach the Greatest Asset to Ball Club—Gotham Scribe Tells Why.

New York, Dec. 26.—And now the old question hots up: "If Ty Cobb were placed on the auction block how much would he bring?"

It's a question that may never know an answer, for the Tiger owners think quite a bit of the said Mr. Cobb, and may keep him on their roster until his playing days are over. But if we owned the New York Yankees, says a Gotham scribe, and Cobb was for sale, we'd start bidding for him with a mention of \$500,000, and if there was any further competition we'd raise the amount up to \$1,000,000.

A half million dollars for one ball player seems like a lot of money. But in five years' time as a member of the Yankees, Cobb would bring in something like \$500,000 interest on the \$500,000 purchase price. The money he would bring in after that because of being a drawing card would be what is termed in poker circles "value."

We don't think Cobb would be worth that amount to any other club than the Yankees. And here are the reasons that make us think he's worth that much money to the New York American Leaguers:

Crowds Would Turn Out.

Every day in the year at least 300,000 out-of-town people visit New York. At least 200,000 of this number come from the small towns—towns where big league baseball had not been played. But in these towns they have heard of Cobb for years; have heard of his wonderful batting stunts; of his dashing, daring baserunning; of his spectacular fielding. They have heard of Cobb's praises sung day by day, year after year, and there has come to them the hope that some day they may see the peerless Georgian in action.

Playing with Detroit, Cobb appears in New York City only eleven times each year. The Yankees have seventy-seven home games. If Cobb were a Yankee that would make seventy-seven games in which he would perform in New York or sixty-six more than at present.

It is a safe bet that with Cobb appearing in a New York uniform, at least 1,500 of these out-of-town people would go to see Ty play, regardless of where the Yankees stood in the American League race.

So it can be seen that with Cobb as a drawing card, a yearly total of approximately \$500,000 for the sixty-six extra days would be received. In five years the total would be \$2,500,000.

Cobb is the greatest drawing card on the road. His presence on the Detroit team is the reason for the big profits made year after year by the Tigers. As a Yankee he would draw just as well and as we view it, the road receipts of the Yankees would be increased about \$200,000 at least each year, or \$1,000,000 in five years.

Sees Chance for Pennant.

And one thing, Cobb! Cobb alone can get you a pennant, but with a little help here and there, he can at least put a team in the fight.

With Cobb's help the Yankees might soon jump up as a championship possibility. A winning team is always a good drawing card, and as such the Yankees' treasure vaults would be increased by at least \$100,000 or \$200,000 each year. Therefore looking at it from our viewpoint Cobb's years would pay for something like \$1,000,000 real regular dollars into the Yankee coffers. Doesn't it seem then that he's worth at least \$500,000 to the Yankees, especially in view of the fact that he has something like ten years of good, first-class baseball in his system?

An indoor basketball game, to be played upon a table with a net and ball and magnetic implements, has been patented by a Kansas woman.

SPORT NEWS AND VIEWS

By WILLIAM PEET.

A Chicago baseball writer comes through with a big where's anent the Federal League, an outlaw organization, so called. He claims that when the Federals announce the names of the players they have under contract for 1914 a dozen or more American and National League managers will flock at the mouth of the outlawed baseball is preparing to thwart the Federals and fight them to the last ditch.

Organized baseball, according to Larry Herrmann, president of the national commission, welcomes the third league, and no hostile action has or will be taken until it is known for a certainty that the Federals have actually signed and played men under contract or on the reserve lists of the clubs operating under the national agreement.

That the majors have a war fund ready, and will use it for crushing purposes, if such action becomes necessary, is well known, but to say that plans are already made to fight the outlaws is foolish, for the simple reason that outside of possibly George Stovall, deposed manager of the St. Louis Browns, the Federal League, to date, has done absolutely nothing to injure the interests of organized baseball.

There will be plenty of time to act when the Federals have shown their hand, and until they do the national commission will take no steps to precipitate troubles.

Charles W. Murphy, the effervescent leader of the Chicago Cubs, comes out flat-footed with the following statement: "I will bet \$500,000 that not a National League or American League player on the reserve list will play more than one game in the Federal League next season."

According to Murphy, an injunction could be used to prevent major leaguers from joining the so-called outlaws. This is what Murphy says: "The big league clubs pay their players 75 per cent of their salaries for playing, and 25 per cent for being on the reserve list. If the player jumps to the outlaw league an injunction may be obtained preventing him from playing ball. The jumping to the Federal League also would mean the automatic cutting off of his salary and placing himself on the big league black list, so-called."

One of the best-informed sport writers in Philadelphia has been signed by President Tener, of the National League to act in the capacity of assistant. D. L. Reeves, of the Public Ledger, is the man, and Mr. Tener is to be congratulated on his choice.

Mr. Reeves knows baseball like a book; he has followed the game closely for twenty years, and should be of inestimable value to the new National League chief in an advisory capacity.

The big men in baseball these days

FINAL PRACTICE TONIGHT.

All-Stars Will Work Out in Preparation for the Vigilants.

The All-Star football team, which will meet the Vigilants tomorrow at Vigilant Park, Fifteenth and B streets northwest, will practice tonight at Fifteenth and B streets northwest. Every member of the team is requested to be at 1006 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, promptly at 8 o'clock. Harry Costello, the Georgetown wonder, will be in charge of the team.

Several stars of the Clarendon eleven will be in the line-up tomorrow against the Vigilants, and as these boys played great football last Sunday, the Stars expect to hand the Vigilants a beating. The game will start promptly at 2:30 o'clock.

DEFEATS SOLDIER QUINT.

Peck Stars Land Hard-fought Game from Fort Myer Team, 20 to 17.

The Peck Stars basketball team defeated the Fort Myer quint last night in a hard-fought game, 20 to 17. The all-around playing of Scott for the winners and Hillery's goal shooting for the Soldiers were the features of the game. The line-up and summary:

PECK STARS. Position. **FORT MYER.**
Scott, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

DISPLAYS CLEVER SHOTS.

George Sutton Defeats Sherman and Wolf by Good Score.

George Sutton, the handless billiard expert, defeated Frank Sherman yesterday afternoon at the Royal Parlor, 300 to 45, and C. E. Wolfe last night, 200 to 127.

Sutton displayed some clever shots at both matches. In the afternoon contest with Frank Sherman, Sutton made a high run of 60, while in the match with Wolfe, 24 was his highest run. After the match last night, Sutton gave an exhibition, and made some clever shots. Sutton will play a local billiard expert at 8 o'clock this afternoon and 8 o'clock tonight.

YALE'S TENNIS CAPTAIN.

Eighteen-year-old Player to Lead the Team.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 26.—W. Dixon Cunningham, the eighteen-year-old boy who has long been a member of the New York Lawn Tennis Club, has been elected captain of the Yale varsity lawn tennis team.

He has been displaying marked strength on the indoor courts at New Haven, and also at squash tennis and hand ball. He will play with the Yale hand ball team against the players of the Crescent Athletic Club next month.

WEALTHY TWIRLER FOR TIGERS.

John D. Rockefeller's Grandson Plans to Enter Princeton.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Powell McCormick, grandson of John D. Rockefeller and son of Harold F. McCormick, of this city, has once more been placed under the watchful care of Mordecai Brown, former star twirler of the Chicago Cubs, with the hope of absorbing enough of the once great pitcher's knowledge of the boxman science to secure him a place on the Princeton baseball team.

The lad, who has been attending school at Groton, Mass., expects to enter Old Nassau College in the near future.

Golf Is Expensive.

Chasing the little white ball over the green costs 2,000,000 golfers of both sexes in the United States approximately \$300,000,000 a year, according to a table published by a Chicago golf expert. Of this staggering total, \$200,000,000 goes for golf clubs. Nonclub members, 60,000 of them, blow about \$40,000,000 yearly on equipment and transportation to the links. Club golfers, numbering about 1,400,000, spent \$25,000,000, the expert figures.

Billy Lindsay Goes to New Orleans.

Portland, Oreg., Dec. 26.—Billy Lindsay, third baseman of the Portland team in the Pacific Coast League, will be sold to New Orleans, according to an announcement yesterday by McCredie, manager of the Portland team. All Coast League clubs have granted waivers on Lindsay.

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All \$25 Suits and Overcoats now . . .	\$18.75	All \$50 Suits and Overcoats now . . .	\$37.50
All \$30 Suits and Overcoats now . . .	\$21.75	All \$55 Suits and Overcoats now . . .	\$42.50

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VIGILANTS ARE READY.

Independent Champions Eager for Final Game of the Season.

The Vigilant football team will wind up its season tomorrow afternoon at Vigilant Park by meeting the All-Star aggregation, headed by Harry Costello, Georgetown's clever gridiron star. The Vigilants have not been defeated this year, and as they lost last season in the final game, a great deal depends on the contest tomorrow.

Manager Oliveri is making preparations to take care of a big crowd, as all the loyal rooters are expected out to witness the 125 farewell appearance of the Vigilants. Members of the team will report at headquarters at 8 o'clock tonight.

MEET METROPOLITAN FIVE.

Epiphany Quint Clash with South-east Team Tonight.

The fast Epiphany quint will meet the Metropolitan's five tonight at Garfield's gymnasium, Fifth and Virginia avenue southeast, at 8 o'clock, in place of the Cardinals, of Alexandria, Va., who canceled the game.

The Metropolitan boys were defeated by the northwest churchmen by a one-sided score in the latter's gymnasium. With the services of H. Chroninger and Hunter, the Garfield stars, the southeast boys are confident of finishing at the long end of the score.

Cold Weather for Swimming.

Portland, Oreg., Dec. 26.—At the annual Christmas Day swim in the Willamette River yesterday, Norman F. Ross, of the Multnomah Club, won the men's 100-yard race in 55 seconds.

CHARLESTON RESULTS.

FIRST RACE—Maiden (two-year-olds); purse, \$300; 1 to 1, second: 10 to 1, third: 10 to 1, fourth: 10 to